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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, PO

SUBJ: FRIDAY DEMONSTRATIONS CANCELLED

REF: LISBON 529

1. MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO ALVES ANNOUNCED ON EVENING TELEVISION JAN. 29 THAT DECISION OF AFM COUNCIL OF TWENTY IS THAT THREE DEMONSTRATIONS SCHEDULED FOR JAN 31 (REFTEL) SHOULD BE CANCELLED ON GROUNDS THAT THEY WOULD /HINDER THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRATIZATION." SPOKESMAN FOR SOCIALIST PARTY (PS) SAID PS ACCEPTED BUT DID NOT AGREE WITH DECISION; PCP SAID THEY WOULD CONSULT THEIR MDP, PSP, AND MES ALLIES, BUT WERE CERTAIN THEY WOULD ABIDE BY AFM DECISION.

2. OUR SOURCES SAY MRPP INTENDS PROCEED WITH THEIR RALLY. MRPP, PS AND MES WERE STILL HANDING OUT ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE RALLIES ON MORNING OF 30TH.

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3. CABINET HAS NOT YET FORMALLY BANNED RALLIES.

4. COMMENT: THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THIS IS SETBACK TO SOCIALISTS
AND MAY BE INDICATOR OF WHERE BALANCE OF POWER IN AFM LEADERSHIP
NOW LIES. WE UNDERSTAND THAT IF MRPP GOES AHEAD WITH THEIR RALLY,
GOP MAY USE IT AS REASON FOR BANNING PARTY-- AN OUTCOME MUCH
DESIRED BY PCP.
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